

SPECIAL STOCK-TAKING SALE!!

To Continue Until the 11th of January, at

D. CRAWFORD & CO.'S,

Who Prefer to Count the Money to Measuring or Counting the Goods!!

NOTE THE REDUCTIONS

Actually Made on the Following Goods.

BLACK DRESS GOODS

At 9c
80 pieces 24-inch Diagonals;
former price, 15c.

At 20c
60 pcs. 36-inch Crapemaretti,
fast black; worth 30c.

At 24c
50 pieces 38-inch Henrietta, blue
blacks; worth 35c.

At 35c
40 pieces 38-inch India Serges,
all wool; worth 50c.

At 50c
60 pieces 40-inch Silk Finish
Henriettas, extra good value;
worth 75c.

Collars and Neckwear.

Colored Silk and Lace Trimmed
Jabots, \$2 goods for \$1 each.

Fancy Box Ruchings, 50c, 65c and
75c boxes, all go at 25c a box.

Collars, Lace Handkerchiefs and
Fichus, slightly soiled from
show, will go at your own prices.

Black Spanish Scarfs and Fichus,
all silk pearl edge, from 50c up.

Fancy Cream Vandyke Laces, from
10c a yard up.

Boys' Knee-Pant Suits.

For \$1.50
Knee-Pant Suits in fancy checks
and dark colors, sizes 4 to 12
years; well worth \$2.50.

For \$3.75
Knee-Pant Suits in checks and
stripes, all-wool Scotch goods,
sold elsewhere at \$5.

Boys' Knee-Pants.

For 35c
400 pair Knee-Pants, sizes 4 to
13 years, in brown, gray stripes;
worth 60c.

For 50c
500 pair Knee-Pants in dark
stripes and checks, sizes 4 to 14
years; worth 75c.

HOSIERY.

150 doz. Children's Heavy Rib
Cotton Hose, seamless, in
black only, sizes 7 to 8 1-2c,
at 12 1-2c a pair; worth 20c.

200 doz. Children's Heavy Rib
Scotch Wool Hose, in black
and gray, sizes 6 1/2 to 9, at
25c a pair; worth 35c to 50c.

100 doz. Children's extra fine
All-Wool C. & G. French Rib
Hose, in seal, navy and gar-
net, 5 and 5 1/2, 25c; 6, 30c;
6 1/2, 35c; 7, 35c; 7 1/2, 40c;
7 1/2, 45c; 8, 50c; 8 1/2, 55c. These
are the best wearing goods
made for children.

75 doz. Ladies' fine Black All-
Wool Cashmere Hose at 20c;
worth 30c.

100 doz. Ladies' elegant Fancy
Striped Cotton Hose, all
sizes, at 25c; worth 40c.

75 doz. Ladies' fine All-Wool
full regular Black Cashmere
Hose at 40c a pair; worth 65c.

SILKS.

At 75c a Yard.
22-inch Black Brocade Ar-
mure, entirely new; would
be cheap at \$1.25.

At 85c a Yard.
24-inch All-Silk Black Gros-
Grain, soft finish, good dye;
actual value \$1.25.

At \$1.00 a Yard.
24-inch Black Gros-Grain,
extra heavy, one of the best
values ever offered; well
worth \$1.50.

At 50c a Yard.
24-inch Colored China Silks,
will bear washing; sold else-
where at 75c.

At 65c a Yard.
24-inch Colored Silk Plush,
marbled, a fine assort-
ment of colors; actual value
\$1.00.

CORSETS.

Long Waisted, Short Hip Cor-
sets, with 5 hooks, for 57c;
worth \$1.00.

J. B. Corsets, in large sizes
only, for 85c; worth \$1.25.

O. B. Satin Corsets, in all col-
ors, for \$2.60; worth \$3.00.

LINENS.

250 dozen Barnsley Huck Towels,
fine soft finish, at 12 1/2c each;
reduced from 16 1/2c.

100 dozen all-linen Crape Towels,
22x45 inches, at 12 1/2c each; re-
duced from 17 1/2c.

2 cases Turkey Red Damask, 54
inches wide, choice line of pat-
terns, at 25c per yard; reduced
from 35c.

28 pieces fine Loom Damask table
linen; real nice goods, at 26c
per yard; reduced from 35c.

17 pcs. pure Irish Linen Bleached
Damask, 62 inches wide, very
choice goods, at 55c per yard;
regular price 70c.

FURS.

1500 Black Hare Muffs, satin-
lined; regular price, \$1; for 59c
each.

15 dozen Arctic Lynx Muffs, \$1.25;
worth \$2.

19 dozen Opossum Muffs, \$1.00;
worth \$2.

10 dozen Silk Plush Muffs, \$1.25;
worth \$1.75 each.

Ladies' Astrachan Muffs, all col-
ors, 75c each; worth \$1.50.

500 pieces Feather Trimming, all
colors, 10c a yard; worth 25c a
yard.

NOTIONS.

50 gross Seamless Stockinet Dress
Shields, 10c a pair; worth 25c a
pair.

500 Inkstands, colored glass;
worth \$1; for 50c.

10 gross Cuff and Collar Boxes, 10
cents a set.

15 dozen Plush Triplicate Mirrors,
75c each; worth \$1.25.

1000 gross Carved White Pearl
Buttons, 5c a dozen; worth 15c
a dozen.

15 gross Large size Murray's Flori-
da Water, 29c a bottle.

House - Furnishings.

Japanese Tea Pots 25c.

Fancy Decorated Chamber Sets,
10 pieces, \$2.75.

Fancy Decorated Tea Sets, 56
pieces, \$3.48.

Fancy Decorated Dinner Sets, 100
pieces, \$9.70.

Fancy Decorated China Cream
Pitchers, 15c.

New Year Gloves.

SPECIAL.
6, 12 and 20-button
lengths White and
Opera Tints, Gants de
Suede, for Reception
and Party Wear.

JEWELRY.

Solid Gold Amethyst Rings, \$1.00;
worth \$2.

Silver Rhinestone Screw Earrings,
25c a pair; worth 50c.

A lovely assortment of Lace Pins,
25c; worth 50c.

A nice assortment of Gents' Cuff
Buttons, 25c; worth 60c.

Gents' Watch Chains, nicely plat-
ed, 85c; worth \$1.50.

UMBRELLAS.

26-inch Gloria Silk, best quality
fine gold crook, \$1.75; worth
\$2.50.

26-inch Heavy Union Double
Twill, paragon frame; with fine
gold crooks, \$2.00; worth
\$2.85.

26-inch Austrian Silk, cases and
tassels, silver caps and crooks,
\$2.00; worth \$2.85.

28-inch Gloria Silk, paragon frame,
long silver caps and crooks,
\$1.70; worth \$2.65.

Wash Goods Dept.

At 4 1/2c a Yard.
Good quality Calico, fast col-
ors; worth 6 1/2c a yard.

At 6 1/2c a Yard.
Dress Ginghams, a splendid
quality; sold by all others at
8 1/2c a yard.

At 4 1/2c a Yard.
Apron Ginghams, in staple
checks; were 6 1/2c a yard.

At 9c a Yard.
Fleece-Lined Sicilians, latest
designs and fast colors; were
12 1/2c a yard.

At 12 1/2c a Yard.
75 pieces of 32-inch Sateens
all new, latest designs; worth
17 1/2c a yard.

Lace Curtains.

500 pairs Nottingham Lace Curtains,
taped edges and 8 yards long, at 75c
per pair; reduced from \$1.15.

265 pairs Nottingham Lace Curtains,
taped edges, 8 yards long and choice
patterns, at \$1.00 per pair; reduced
from \$1.35.

185 pairs extra quality Nottingham
Lace Curtains, all new designs, at \$3
per pair; reduced from \$4.

75 pairs very fine Lace Curtains, cluny
effects, at \$4.25 per pair; worth \$6.

185 pairs Nottingham Lace Curtains,
extra choice goods, all new designs, 4
yards long, at \$4.50 per pair; re-
duced from \$6.

CLOAKS.

Ladies' English Walking Jackets, tight-
fitting, in colors, for \$4.75; would be
cheap at \$8.

Ladies' Plain Seal Plush Jackets, satin
lined, chamolais pockets, newly re-
ceived and fresh goods, \$8.50; were
\$12.50.

Ladies' Directoire Street Jacket, of fine
Beaver, in blue and black, for
\$10.45; were \$15.00.

Ladies' Seal Plush Wraps, trimmed all
around with spiked trimming, quilted
satin lining and chamolais pockets,
\$10; were \$16.50.

Children's Directoire front Gretchens,
splendid garments, full length; ages
4, 6, 8, 10 and 12 years; worth double
the price, which is \$5.50 to \$7.50;
according to size.

Children's large plaid Gretchens, in
several different shades, with silk
girdle and combination hood and cape,
satin lined, ages 4, 6, 8, 10 and 12
years; the cheapest goods you ever
saw at the price, viz., \$6.50 to \$8.50,
according to size.

SHOES.

Infants' Button Boots, bronze and
black, sizes 1 to 5; 25c a pair.

Children's Button Boots, sizes 6 to 8,
50c; sizes 8 to 11, 75c a pair.

Ladies' Felt Slippers, sizes 3 to 8; 50c a
pair.

Ladies' Hand-Turn Seamless Button
Boots, sizes 3 to 7, \$1.50 a pair.

Gents' Embroidered Plush Slippers,
sizes 7 and 8, at 98c a pair.

Ladies' Arctic Overshoes, 75c a pair.

Ladies' Plain Rubbers, 25c a pair.

Ladies' Underwear.

100 dozen Ladies' Fine Jersey Rib
Vests, high neck and long
sleeves, sizes 2, 3 and 4, at 29c;
worth 40c.

Ladies' Fine Medium Weight
White Merino Vests and Pants
at 60c; worth 85c.

Ladies' fine Non-shrinking Wool
Vests in natural and white, at
75c; worth \$1.25.

Gents' Underwear.

50 dozen Gents' heavy Fancy
Striped Shirts and Drawers at
50c; worth 75c.

Gents' Heavy full regular made
Scotch Wool Shirts and Draw-
ers at \$1.15; worth \$1.50.

Gents' Fine All-wool Sanitary
Gray Shirts or Drawers at \$1.25;
worth \$1.75.

SHAWLS.

15 dozen heavy Beaver Shawls, all
good styles and heavy goods, at
\$3.50 each; reduced from
\$4.50.

9 dozen very heavy Beaver
Shawls, extra choice styles, at
\$4 each; reduced from \$5.25.

15 dozen double Wool Shawls, real
heavy goods and all good styles,
at \$2.00 each; reduced from
\$2.75.

11 dozen extra fine Double Wool
Shawls, extra heavy and fine,
at \$3.50 each; reduced from
\$4.75.

2 cases Reversible Velvet Beaver
Shawls, all fine new goods and
very choice styles, at \$6.75
each; reduced from \$9.50.

SKIRTS.

35 dozen 10-4 Skirt Patterns,
\$1.25; reduced from \$1.50.

50 dozen 10-4 Skirt Patterns, ex-
tra fine, \$1.35; reduced from
\$1.75.

40 dozen 10-4 German Skirt Pat-
terns, \$1.75; reduced from \$2.

50 dozen extra heavy and fine
10-4 Skirt Patterns, \$2.00; re-
duced from \$2.50.

Drives in red, blue, gray, white
plaid and 4-4 Embroidered Flan-
nel to reduce stock.

SPECIAL! FANS.

4 dozen handsome Feather Fans,
painted and gilt stick, \$2.50
goods for 85c each.

COLORED DRESS GOODS

At 9c
75 pieces fancy German Dress
Plaids, all-wool filling; worth 20c.

At 12 1/2c
60 pieces double-width Henri-
etta Cloth, with border, in all
the new shades; worth 20c.

At 20c
70 pieces yard-wide Cheviot
Suitings, Plaids, Stripes and
Checks, nothing better for wear;
worth 35c.

At 25c
52 pieces yard-wide India Twill
Suiting, soft finished, all colors;
worth 35c.

At 45c
20 pieces 38-inch pure Silk and
Wool French Striped and Plaid
Cloth Suiting, specially suitable
for Children's Cloaks; worth 65c.

BOYS' SHIRTS.

100 dozen Boys' heavy Wool Shirts,
corded fronts and gilt buttons,
all sizes, at \$1 each; worth \$1.50.

150 dozen Boys' genuine Percale
Waists, the Star brand, all sizes,
at 75c; worth \$1.25 and \$1.50.

BLANKETS.

250 pairs heavy Gray Blankets at
\$1.20 per pair; reduced from
\$1.65.

135 pairs large size heavy White
Blankets at \$1.35 per pair; re-
duced from \$2.

2 cases 11-4 White Blankets, fine
and heavy, at \$2.25 per pair; re-
duced from \$3.25 per pair.

100 pairs very fine White Blankets,
pure wool and heavy goods, at
\$4.50 per pair; reduced from
\$5.75.

125 pairs extra large size White
Australian Wool Blankets at
\$5.75 per pair; reduced from \$7.

COMFORTS.

6 bales largest size Bed Comforts
at \$1.15 each; reduced from
\$1.50.

8 bales extra size Bed Comforts,
choice line of styles, at \$1.35
each; reduced from \$1.85.

5 bales very fine Sateen Bed Com-
forts, large and heavy, at \$1.50
each; regular price \$2.15.

6 bales real Chintz Comforts, extra
choice goods, at \$1.85 each;
worth \$2.50.

10 bales French Sateen Bed Com-
forts, all new designs, at \$2.35
each; reduced from \$2.

A CRISIS IN CRETE.

Turkey's Recent Action Calls For the Interference of the Great Powers.

Hands Must Be Shown in the Attempt to Settle the Troubles of the Island.

Prince Bismarck's British Dope Moving Into Line With the Triple Alliance.

Gen. Fonseca's Brother Tells the Story of the Birth of the Brazilian Republic.

O'Shea's Shameless Attempt to Injure the Irish Cause Through Farnell—France Looked Upon as a Menace to the Monarchies of Europe—Carlos I. Proclaimed King of Portugal—That Country's Relations With the United States—A Former Favorite of Prince Hatfield Furling Him in His Honorary—Probable General Strike of the Gas Stokers of London—An Englishman's Views on the American Navy—Gladiators the Recipient of Tokens of Esteem From His Friends—A Strange Story From Dresden—London, Paris and Berlin Topics—Foreign News.

Special Cablegram to the Post-Dispatch.

LONDON, Dec. 28.

RETAN affairs have reached the critical point. The recent action taken by the Turkish Government has brought matters to the stage at which though there may be delay in the workings out of the consequences, the ultimate result can only be a renewal of the troubles in the island. A state of things will then arise which can hardly fail to call for European interference. The European concert having been for years in suspense, the interference will come from two sides and will reflect the general policy of the two groups into which the powers are at present divided. English politicians say the practical question for them is whether they intend their own government to keep aloof, or to act with either group, and if so with which. In the absence of any strong and general expression of preference the English Government will undoubtedly continue to pursue a policy of inaction, while the French, opposed to the principles of free government and dangerous to the best interests of the empire. The time has gone by for holding the judgment in suspense for there is no longer any doubt about the substantial outline of the facts.

AMNESTY A FARE. The Porte's amnesty proclamation was a mere farce. No persons were mentioned by name as permitted to return or as guaranteed their liberty. There is no expunging of the record, and moreover it was expressly declared that offenders against the criminal law shall not be included in the "amnesty." This was equivalent to declaring plainly that the Turks reserved the right of executing, imprisoning and flogging whomsoever they chose to. This they have been doing with the same activity as before the amnesty proclamation was issued. The Cretan refugees in Greece have expressed the sympathy of the Hellenes and great pressure is brought upon the Greek government to induce it to relax the strict restriction hitherto exercised upon those who would send arms and ammunition to Crete.

The scene in the Greek Parliament the other day proves that M. Tricoupi endangers his position by this restraint. The moment he gives way to public opinion, the Cretans will receive supplies. Then will commence a war of extermination in Crete between Christians and Turks. The powers of Europe will thus be compelled to make a second interference.

THE KEY TO THE SITUATION. Earl Grosvenor, in speaking on the former Foreign Secretary, in speaking on the subject to-day said:

"The key to the situation is not in Crete, not in Athens or in Constantinople nor even in Berlin, but in London. The policy of Berlin is to avoid a war. For this end everything will be ignored unless it affects the supposed German interest or a vital interest real or supposed of one of the parties to the Triple Alliance. Germany has no interest in Crete at all and neither Austria nor Italy has such an interest as would make either of them call the Triple Alliance into the field on its behalf. France and Russia are without direct motives for preventing a war in Crete, while Greece and it is probable that they will decline to join in any future demonstration against Greece. It would seem therefore, at first at least, as though it would be easy for Salisbury, if he cared a jot for doing an act of statesmanship, by removing the cause of all the trouble, to secure the solution of the difficulty favorable to the Cretans. The Sultan's suzerainty over Crete prior to the landing of Chakir Pasha was a mere matter of tribute and of words. A little pressure, and the offer of a round sum to be paid by Greece and Crete, would make it worth the Porte's while to cede the island; while it would be better for Greece to pay a heavy price rather than incur all the risks involved in the present state of things.

IN LINE WITH THE ALLIANCE. "But Lord Salisbury doubtless has other reasons apart from his lack of statesmanlike insight for avoiding this course. He is drifted or moved intentionally into line with the Triple Alliance. At every turn he is kept to bounds by the magic word 'Egypt' pronounced at Berlin. In small matters he is allowed concessions for the sake of appearances. But in important matters the German Government keeps to its object, which is to convince France and Russia that in case of trouble England will be either on the side of the Central Powers or in an attitude of neutrality favorable to them. The Foreign Office at Berlin wants no territorial changes in Europe at present, for they would forestall the moment when, after the next war, Germany will remodel the map. Neither does there seem to be a check to German diplomacy such as a settlement of the Cretan quarrel on lines which are not Bismarck's. Moreover, the Sultan must

be kept in the leading strings of the alliance into which he has been so cleverly and successfully drawn. Prince Bismarck told all the world how he duped Lord Salisbury at Berlin in 1878. He is now repeating the game, apparently to Lord Salisbury's entire satisfaction. It is time the English public looked into the matter and gave Lord Salisbury to understand, in terms not to be misunderstood, that English feeling and opinion are on the side of Greek freedom and not of Turkish misrule."

BIRTH OF THE REPUBLIC.

Gen. Fonseca's Brother Tells the Story of the Brazilian Revolution.

Special Cablegram to the Post-Dispatch.

ARIS, Dec. 28.—Senhor Simoes Da Fonseca, brother of Gen. Da Fonseca, Chief of the Provisional Government of Brazil, has arrived in this city. He was sent by his brother to ascertain the feeling of his countrymen in Europe, and especially in France, with regard to the change of Government in Brazil, and the assurance of persons directly concerned in the commercial and financial affairs of Brazil, that the change will in no wise affect their interests. As the personal representative of the General, he has lost no time in informing the bankers and merchants here, that the new Government intends to recognize all obligations incurred by the old regime.

In pursuance of the purpose of his mission Senhor Simoes has entered upon the publication of a journal, entitled *La Courriere Da Brazil*, devoted to the explanation and defense of the new order of things and to the maintenance and promotion of Brazilian securities and Brazilian interests generally.

THE CAUSE OF THE REVOLUTION. As the man best informed of the views of the new government and of its chief, and fresh from the headquarters of the revolution, Senhor Simoes was waited upon by your correspondent and readily accorded him an interview, during which he freely

spoke of the great change which has been effected. He said the chief causes of the movement were the intolerant and intolerable religious views of the Crown Princess, Isabel, constant infringements upon the people's rights by the court party; insults offered the army and the disgraceful means employed in the last election to defeat the Republicans. The Princess, who never had the esteem of the greater portion of Brazilians, took it upon herself as Regent during the absence of the Emperor, to play a dangerous role in political affairs. She interfered in the reorganization of the Ouro Preto ministry, which as already formed by the Emperor contained Republicans. The Princess dismissed all the Republican Ministers and replaced them by members of her household, of whose loyalty to her she was sure. The new Ministry had neither prestige nor experience in political affairs. The idea of the Princess Regent was to insure the throne by centralizing the administration.

INTERFERING WITH ELECTIONS. Added to this was the constant attitude of the Count d'Eu, whose offensive policy made him the enemy of the Emperor and the Imperial family. In every move the Republicans made the heavy hand of the Count was felt. His obstructive and hostile attitude during the election of October 6 contributed largely to increase the popular discontent which led to the revolution. Through his advice the Emperor's army was armed with fraud and violence to prevent the Republicans from voting. Men with Republican ballots were denied access to the polls and Republican placards were torn down by the police wherever found. The press was muzzled and the writers who dared express liberal views were thrown into prison. The result was an overwhelming majority for the government and the formation of an exclusively monarchial government. Among those who brought about this success recompenses were freely distributed in the form of titles. In a short space of time ninety barons and viscounts were created. Senators were promoted by the Emperor's small politicians were decorated with imperial orders.

GROWTH OF REPUBLICANISM. Undeterred by defeat at the polls the Republicans continued their aggressive policy. Finding itself unable to make use of the army to persecute the Liberals the Government appealed to the people. They were urged to resist the fact that to the stroke of the Imperial pen they owed their liberty. This call upon their gratitude succeeded and resulted in the organization of the "Guarda Nigra," which was used to attack the Republicans on all sides. Next the National Guard was formed out of the regular army in which the monarchial party had lost confidence. To further carry on their crusade against the Republicans large sums were voted and land owners were heavily taxed. The latter, originally slave holders, became dissatisfied with their actions and with the heavy and arbitrary taxation of slavery and gave their support to the Republicans. The soldiers became imbued with the Republican spirit. Then the Imperial throne began to totter.

THE FINAL BLOW. The final blow was given when the Emperor sanctioned the return of the Jesuits, who had been a long time expelled from Brazilian territory. For this act the Crown Princess, whose work it really was, received from the Pope the Golden Rose. The Emperor was over-influenced by the Princess, whose bigotry has always made her unpopular and who has constantly labored to make Brazil tributary to the Pope. Six bishops were promoted at once and cardinals had solicited from the Holy Father for favored prelates of the court. This was going too far. The people protested, but in vain. The Cabinet was thoroughly conservative and at one with the court. The Emperor was implored to modify the Ministry. He failed to do so and the result was the certainty of saving his crown. It was not until the people had risen and demanded to be heard that the Emperor gave an hearing. But his deposition had already been decreed. Gen. Fonseca received notice that his majesty had formed a new Ministry and that a portfolio was waiting for him. It was then too late. The revolution had been accomplished.

A BLOODLESS REVOLUTION. Senhor Simoes says it was Gen. Fonseca's great desire to see the revolution completed without bloodshed, and he personally knew it was his brother's sincere wish to put the Emperor and Empress to as little inconvenience as possible. The Emperor was much loved and he could not be held accountable for acts, which had been forced upon him. It was his subjection to the baleful influences of the Princess and the Count d'Eu which was fatal to him. It was a blessing that the change happened in Dom Pedro's time. Had the Princess been upon the throne there would have been a lamentable shedding of blood. The revolution was a popular one. The fact that no blood was shed was due to the fraternization of the people and the troops. The Government was in equal harmony with the army and the people. The revolution was an accomplished fact and the Republic was bound to remain. There could be no turning back.

The Naturalization Proposition. Special Cablegram to the Post-Dispatch. LONDON, Dec. 28.—A vast number of the foreign residents of Brazil have protested against the naturalization scheme of the Provisional Government. A number of French, Portuguese, German and Italian merchants residing and doing business in Brazil have applied to their respective governments for protection. They do not wish to interfere with Brazilian politics, but say they will not submit to the loss of their national rights. Should the Provisional Government dispute those rights they will leave the country after disposing of their business.

Baron DePendo, late Imperial Minister of Brazil to England, is preparing a pamphlet in which he will reveal the intrigues of the Republic prior to the overthrow of the Empire. No Outlook at Para. By Telegram to the Post-Dispatch. NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—Mr. Chas. R. Flint of 143 Pearl street received a cablegram from Para this morning, saying that the situation in Brazil was unchanged. Nothing in the dispatch indicated that there had been any outbreak, and Mr. Flint says that if there had been his correspondent would have notified him. At the office of W. R. Grace & Co. in Hanover Square a dispatch was also received this morning from Brazil, saying that exchange had declined a cent.

A BROKEN HEART. Cause of the Fatal Illness of the Ex-Emperor of Brazil. Special Cablegram to the Post-Dispatch. LISBON, Dec. 28.—The death of the Empress of Brazil was most peaceful. The Emperor was with her to the last. He left Lisbon with Her Majesty sooner than he had contemplated doing on account of the failing condition of her health and some time after the death of Oporto, instead of going to Cannes. He found the Empress could not bear the fatigue of the long railway journey and feared the passage across the Pyrenees at this season. The change of air and scene could not save her. She was not well when she was forced so rudely and suddenly to leave Brazil.

King Carlos I. Kingdom of Algarve. This had been preceded by a brilliant pageant, the King and royal family driving from the castle at Belem through the streets to the palace surrounded by the dignitaries of the kingdom and amid the cheers of the people. After the coronation the procession resumed to the Town Hall, where the President of the Municipality handed the keys of the city to the King. Queen Amelia, though not entirely recovered from her attack of influenza, was able to accompany the King in the procession.

Relations With the United States. WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 28.—An official of the State Department said to-day regarding the possible troubles between this country and Portugal growing out of the Delagoa Bay Railroad controversy, to which reference was made yesterday in a New York evening paper, that he thought the possibility of such a story as untrue. He added, however, by way of explanation, that last June, when the trouble first began, Secretary Blaine called Minister Loring at Lisbon to see that the rights of Americans involved were amply protected. There has been beyond this, no further correspondence upon this subject. Secretary Tracy said: "I know nothing about Mr. Blaine's department. This may or may not be true, so far as the State Department is concerned, but it is absolutely untrue so far as the Navy Department is concerned. The squadron of evolution went to Lisbon because it was the first of a number of places they were to visit. They will go from there to Gibraltar and they will continue to put in at different ports until their cruise is ended. There is no more significance in the appearance at Lisbon than there will be at any other Mediterranean or Atlantic port. Secretary Tracy said: 'I know nothing about Mr. Blaine's department. This may or may not be true, so far as the State Department is concerned, but it is absolutely untrue so far as the Navy Department is concerned. The squadron of evolution went to Lisbon because it was the first of a number of places they were to visit. They will go from there to Gibraltar and they will continue to put in at different ports until their cruise is ended. There is no more significance in the appearance at Lisbon than there will be at any other Mediterranean or Atlantic port. Secretary Tracy said: 'I know nothing about Mr. Blaine's department. 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A telegraph to the PORT-DISPATCH.
FORK WORKS, Tex., Dec. 38.—Prairie fires
are raging west and northwest of the city,
and a considerable area of country is burned
over. The damage to grass, buildings,
crops, timber and windmills will approximate
\$20,000.

Drown West Miller.
KROKUS, I., Dec. 31.—Henry Miller, some-
times gambler, washed out of a rough-stone win-
dow fell into a barrel of broken glass and
walked back to his room.

318 OLIVE STREET.

Suit for Defeated Taxes. Warehouse, with 6,000 bales of cotton and seven freight cars, burned to-night. Estimated loss \$350,000; partly insured. Cause unknown.

Life-Saving Station Burned. NEW BEDFORD, Mass., Dec. 23.—The Mackagee Life-saving Station on Nantucket beach burned to-night.

ST. LOUIS, SUNDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 29, 1889.

THE DANGER LINE.

Have the Democrats Reached It in the State of Missouri?

Is the Election of a Republican Successor to Vest a Probability?

An Analysis of the Vote of the State Since 1876 Which Answers Both of These Important Political Questions in the Affirmative—The Increase and Percentage of the Increase of the Opposition Vote Set Down—How the Democratic Majority in the Legislature Has Been Cut Away—Information of Interest to Every Intelligent Voter.

Members of all parties who are given to the study of election statistics will read the figures given below they will find them both valuable and instructive. These figures show the steady falling off of Democratic majorities in this state and the constant increase of the Republican vote since 1876.

Especially will those Democrats who are wont to talk about the 40,000 to 50,000 Democratic majority in Missouri find in this startling array of election statistics much food for thought and reflection as to the causes which have taken Missouri from its 40,000 Democratic majority in 1876, and placed it in the list of future doubtful states.

In this article it is only proposed to present facts, and those who study the facts may propose theories and discuss causes. The result of each election may be seen at a glance, and for ready reference, the complete vote cast by all the parties having candidates is given. In presidential years the vote for the party candidates for President and Governor is given, and at the intervening elections the vote for Supreme Judge is given, as is also the political complexion of each general assembly. The percentage of the total vote cast by each party at every election is also given. The period covered is from 1876 to 1888, both inclusive.

ELECTION OF 1876.		
For President:	Percentage of Total Vote.	Vote.
Tilden, D.	41.12	144,398
Hayes, R.	58.88	208,609
Smith, F.	0.00	0
Total vote.		353,007
Tilden's vote over Hayes.	42.2	144,398
Tilden's vote over all.	42.2	144,398
For Governor:		
Phelps, D.	55.55	199,589
Pinkney, R.	44.45	163,418
Alexander, G. B.	0.00	0
Total vote.		363,007
Phelps' vote over Pinkney.	49.00	163,418
Phelps' vote over all.	49.00	163,418
The Legislature stood:		
SENATE—Democrats, 25; Republicans, 6; Green-backers, 25.		
HOUSE—Democrats, 105; Republicans, 13; Green-backers, 25.		
Democratic majority on joint ballot.		87

ELECTION OF 1880.		
For President:	Percentage of Total Vote.	Vote.
Hancock, D.	52.51	208,609
Garfield, R.	47.49	189,398
Weaver, G. B.	0.00	0
Total vote.		398,007
Hancock's vote over Garfield.	47.50	189,398
Hancock's vote over all.	47.50	189,398
For Governor:		
Crittenden, D.	52.12	207,670
Wagner, R.	47.88	190,337
Brown, G. B.	0.00	0
Total vote.		398,007
Crittenden's vote over Wagner.	47.88	190,337
Crittenden's vote over all.	47.88	190,337
The Legislature stood:		
SENATE—Democrats, 25; Republicans, 7; Green-backers, 25.		
HOUSE—Democrats, 98; Republicans, 41; Green-backers, 4.		
Democratic majority on joint ballot.		67

ELECTION OF 1882.		
For President:	Percentage of Total Vote.	Vote.
Shaw, D.	52.12	207,670
Wagner, R.	47.88	190,337
Blaine, G. B.	0.00	0
Total vote.		398,007
Shaw's vote over Wagner.	47.88	190,337
Shaw's vote over all.	47.88	190,337
For Governor:		
Crittenden, D.	52.12	207,670
Wagner, R.	47.88	190,337
Blaine, G. B.	0.00	0
Total vote.		398,007
Crittenden's vote over Wagner.	47.88	190,337
Crittenden's vote over all.	47.88	190,337
The Legislature stood:		
SENATE—Democrats, 25; Republicans, 6; Green-backers, 25.		
HOUSE—Democrats, 111; Republicans, 24; Green-backers, 4.		
Democratic majority on joint ballot.		101

ELECTION OF 1884.		
For President:	Percentage of Total Vote.	Vote.
Cleveland, D.	53.50	207,670
Blaine, R.	46.50	189,398
St. John, F.	0.00	0
Total vote.		441,070
Cleveland's vote over Blaine.	46.4	189,398
Cleveland's vote over all.	46.4	189,398
For Governor:		
Marmaduke, D.	50.05	207,670
Ford, R.	49.95	190,337
Brooks, F.	0.00	0
Total vote.		441,070
Marmaduke's vote over Ford.	49.94	190,337
Marmaduke's vote over all.	49.94	190,337
The Legislature stood:		
SENATE—Democrats, 26; Republicans, 7; Green-backers, 25.		
HOUSE—Democrats, 96; Republicans, 27; Green-backers, 7.		
Democratic majority on joint ballot.		68

RELATIVE INCREASE OF PARTY STRENGTH.		
Party.	1876.	1888.
Dem.	41.12	53.50
Rep.	58.88	46.50
Opposition.	0.00	0.00
Total.	100.00	100.00
From 1876 to 1888.		
Dem.	5,922	9,169
Rep.	13,129	32,114
Opposition.	27,379	17,470
Total.	25,555	33,223
Total inc. in 12 years.	50,552	40,552
Should the vote of each party increase in the same ratio from 1888 to 1892, as from 1876 to 1888 then the vote of the two parties would stand thus:		
Dem.	290,760	375,000
Rep.	208,609	250,000
Opposition.	0	0
Total.	500,000	625,000
But should the opposition vote of 1888 be added to the Democratic vote of 1888, the result would be an opposition vote of 338,137 to a Democratic vote of 286,863, or a Democratic defeat by a majority of 51,274 votes.		

While any such result may be a matter of speculation, yet under the present management of the Democratic party in this State nothing is being done to organize it and put it in a position to fight for the contest in 1892, which will be characterized by all the fierceness and intensity of a presidential campaign, as the election of Congressmen and a United States Senator will give it the character and importance of a national campaign.

The vote of each party in 1888 was as follows: Dem., 290,760; Rep., 208,609; Opp., 0. Total, 500,000. The vote of each party in 1884 was as follows: Dem., 290,760; Rep., 208,609; Opp., 0. Total, 500,000. The vote of each party in 1880 was as follows: Dem., 290,760; Rep., 208,609; Opp., 0. Total, 500,000. The vote of each party in 1876 was as follows: Dem., 290,760; Rep., 208,609; Opp., 0. Total, 500,000.

ONE NOT ENOUGH.

The Advantage of Repeating in the World's Fair Guessing Contest.

Several Thousand Blanks Now on File in This Office.

Guessers Who File Additional Blanks to Cover Every Additional Phase of the Question—There is No Limit to the Number of Guesses You May Send in—The More You Send, the Better Becomes Your Chance—Progress of the Contest up to Date.

THOUSANDS are now guessing and mailing their guesses to the SUNDAY POST-DISPATCH World's Fair Guessing Contest, who never guessed before, but the thousands who guessed before are sending in additional blanks to meet all phases of the question. The blank is printed below for the fourth time, to give all readers a chance to file another guess as a member of our guesses must be sent in on this blank, or they will not be counted. The conditions given below will fully explain the guessing match. The official blanks are printed in the SUNDAY POST-DISPATCH and additional blanks can be secured by ordering additional copies of the paper. The prizes, as will be seen below, are well worth winning. The competition, so far, has been very brisk. As the time when Congress will take up the subject of the location of the World's Fair approaches, they are coming with a rush. There are now several thousand guesses on file in this office. You will see by the conditions that, if two guesses are right, the one which arrived at this office first will take the prize. For full particulars read what follows.

THE FOUR PRIZES.

1. To the person first naming the successful city in the contest for the World's Fair and giving the final and deciding vote that city will receive in the Senate and in the House of Representatives, \$50.
2. To the person first naming the city and coming nearest to the final vote for that city in the Senate and in the House, \$25.
3. To the person first naming the city and coming next nearest to the final vote for that city in the Senate and in the House, \$15.
4. To the person first naming the city and coming next nearest to the final vote for that city in the Senate and in the House, \$10.

CONDITIONS OF THE GUESSING.

All guesses must be made upon the blanks printed below. No votes will be received unless sent in on these blanks. Cut out and fill up the blank and mail it as directed below. Each person shall be entitled to as many votes as he or she chooses to send. This will give each competitor a chance to modify his guess as the fight before Congress develops from day to day. Copies of the blank given below will be printed in the "Sunday Post-Dispatch" on each Sunday until the contest is over. Extra copies can be obtained from this office. All guesses must bear the name and address of the sender. The guesses will be numbered in the order they reach this office and will be carefully filed for reference. In case of a tie for any one of the prizes to money will be awarded to the guess which came in first.

Guesses will be received up to the day before Congress finally passes on the location of the World's Fair, unless otherwise announced. In case no guesser names the exact vote by which the matter is determined in the Senate and in the House, then the first prize shall go to the nearest guesser, the second to the next, etc. Of course, no one who fails to name the city will have a right to any prize, no matter what his figures may be.

All points that may arise which are not covered in these conditions will be decided in these columns. All guesses should be enclosed in envelopes directed:

"World's Fair Guessing,
The Post-Dispatch,
St. Louis, Mo."

THE MAKE-UP OF CONGRESS.

The House of Representatives at present consists of 360 members, of which 179 are Republicans and 181 Democrats.

The Senate consists of 87 members, of which 46 are Republicans and 41 Democrats.

It is to be presumed that the winning city will receive at least a majority of the vote of each House.

WHAT YOU MUST DO.

Your object is to state what city will get the Fair, and the exact number of Senators and the exact number of Representatives voting for that city on the final ballot. Cut out the blank printed below, fill it up as directed and mail it to the address given above. Remember that you can vote only on this blank, and that there is no limit to the number of guesses.

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100 Bedroom Suits, . . . \$ 8.75	50 Cooking Stoves, . . . \$6.75
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100 Extension Tables, . . . 2.10	500 Kitchen Chairs,15
200 Kitchen Tables,80	25 rolls Ingrain Carpets, .20

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(Read carefully the conditions above.)

City Selected

In the Senate

In the House of Representatives

NAME OF GUESSER:

ADDRESS OF GUESSER:

A Sensational Suit.

EL DORADO, Kan., Dec. 28.—Margaret Edwards, who, in company with her husband, Alonzo Edwards, was maltrated by a mob last summer, on suspicion of having murdered and concealed the remains of little Sadie Bloomer, has brought suit against D. B. Tilton, the leader of the mob, and forty-five of his followers for \$20,000 for injuries received at their hands. Mrs. Edwards and her husband were brutally beaten by Tilton and his party, and both were hung up by the neck several times, until life was nearly extinct, in the effort to make them reveal the place where they had hidden the remains of the child. The child was afterwards found on the doorstep of a neighboring house totally unharmed.

Small-Fox in a Rag Warehouse.

HARTFORD, Conn., Dec. 28.—Mary Lombard and Celia King, who, with eighty other women, are employed in the rag-room of the Seymour Paper-mill at Windsor Locks, have the small-pox, and the other women and the people of the town are much alarmed at the prospect of the disease spreading. The mill proprietors say that the rags used were thoroughly disinfected before being unloaded from the vessel which brought them from Egypt. They have arranged for the vaccination of all the women employed in the rag-room, and the Board of Health has disinfected the premises.

Serious Church Troubles.

By Telegram to the Post-Dispatch.

LIMA, O., Dec. 28.—The United Brethren Church of this State has been engaged in litigation in nearly every county ever since the division of church property. A new feature was broken out in the war here over secret societies. The anti-secret society members have asked the courts to enjoin the members belonging to such societies from using the church for religious purposes. Rev. Elmer, the pastor, is a liberal and belongs to secret societies. J. C. Clapper and J. E. Clapper, brothers, are at the head of the warring factions.

AMONG THE MISSOURIANS

ITEMS OF INTEREST GATHERED FROM VARIOUS PARTS OF THE STATE.

John P. Harmon of Holden, the Latest Candidate for Railroad Commissioner—Farmer Wade's Son in Luck—Judge Dolman's shy at the Notary Law—Candidates for Congress—Personal Notes.

JOHN P. HARMON of Holden is announced by the Enterprise for Railroad Commissioner. Mr. Harmon was a member of the thirty-first and thirty-second General Assemblies, and a Chairman of the Committee of Internal Improvements and Railroads, in the Senate, did much to settle the differences then existing between the railroads and shippers, and was a most excellent and useful member. Mr. Harmon was born in Montgomery County, Ky., in 1840; came to Johnson County in 1845. He served all through the last war in Cook's regiment, and is an extensive farmer and stock raiser. He is the most prominent candidate yet named for Railroad Commissioner.

J. H. Carroll of the Governor's staff is named by the Jefferson City Tribune for Chairman of the Democratic State Central Committee. As there is no vacancy in the chairmanship, nor will there be during Col. Carroll's membership in it, the suggestion of the Tribune is not likely to be carried out for several years to come at least.

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About New Year's Tables.

Fashion's latest decree is an Irish point center piece underlaid with gold or light poppy green. We will show beautiful Irish point runners at \$3.50, also up to nine dollars.

You can't be too particular in the selection of doilies, cake-stand cloths and tray cloths. The new hemstitched tray cloths are in very fine satin damask, and cost 60 cents to \$1.50 each, but of course it is on the cloth and napkins that the most care will be spent. And one is always sure of finding something novel and handsome in Barr's famous table linen department—that one will also find bargains goes without saying.

The new patterns in mottle cloth sets, cloth three yards long, have the beautiful tinted and shaded borders, and with a dozen napkins to match cost only \$7.50 and \$8 the set.

The fashionable and always beautiful hemstitched lunch sets with handsome woven borders come at \$10.00 the set, with cloth three yards long. And we will show to-morrow a selection of hemstitched sets, with two rows of open work and deep knotted fringes, the finest ever offered at the price, \$30 a set.

As a special bargain we offer elegant hemstitched cloth and 12 napkins to match. The finest satin damask and the very latest patterns, including the Duke of Leicesters, Queen Anne, renaissance and others, with cloth 2 1/2 by three yards, also 4 yards long, \$47.50 a set.

In table damask by the yard Barr's assortment and prices are unrivaled. Extra fine double satin damask, two yards wide, in the beautiful clover leaf design, \$2.50 a yard. Sea weed patterns with double border, \$1.87 1/2 a yard. Tulip patterns \$1.25 a yard.

Would like you to see those Irish point

tray cloths, very handsome, \$2.50; squares at \$3.50 to \$5.

Of course the more prettily shaded wax candles and fairy lights you have on the tables and about the rooms the better the effect. We show the wax candles in all colors at sixty cents to \$2 a dozen, and all the latest ideas in fairy lights at fifty cents and over. In fancy fairy shades we show everything made.

We specially invite all who intend setting tables on New Year's Day to inspect our new importation of rich Haviland wares, the richest effects in oyster plates at twelve dollars a dozen and over; entirely new individual bread and butter plates, beautiful decorations, at \$3.25 a dozen, and some dainty after-dinner coffee cups that captivate every cultivated taste, at \$7 a dozen.

Beautiful cut glass wine and water bottles, liquor jugs and the like all very low in price.

We offer two bargains in silver oyster forks and orange spoons, forks in satin-lined cases, richly oxidized handles, at \$5 a set, and orange spoons at \$3.75.

Now here's a list of beautiful and useful things at prices that will more than please you:

Adderley ware salad bowls, 98 cents each.

Li Moge biscuit jars and plates, \$3.98.

Silver and German silver card trays very cheap.

Cut glass Greek star wine glasses, \$1.50 a dozen.

Green star cut glass champagne tumblers, \$1.75 a dozen.

Royal Worcester A.-D. coffee sets, \$5.05 to \$10 a dozen.

Bacarat liquor sets, jug and 6 glasses and tray, \$2.75.

Wine sets, 75 cents and over.

REAL NOVELTY.

Plantation negro liquor bottles, \$1.25.

Thin blown tumblers, with dainty colored etchings, \$2.25 dozen.

Rogers' 1847 triple plate knives and forks, \$4 a dozen; 1847 teaspoons, \$2.50 a dozen.

A grand stock of all sorts of table wares, lowest prices in town.

See Barr's beautiful silver-plated wares, prices very low.

Fashion in Gloves.

Gloves and Slippers must match. That's certain. White kids are again much worn with white satin slippers for evening, but they must be undressed Mousquetaires.

Tan gloves go with tan slippers as well as with black or any color. Gray suede gloves and slippers are considered very elegant.

For receiving New Year calls black and tan gloves have the preference, and it is no longer considered necessary for them to reach to the shoulder, even for full dress.

Our special New Year's bargains in Gloves will be as follows:

Four-button "Bon Marche" real French kids, black and colors, the name attests the quality, \$1.35 a pair.

Perrin's best quality 4-button, latest embroidery, all shades, \$1.85 a pair. These are genuine French.

Our finest quality Kid Gloves, the celebrated "Nonpareil," colored and black, perfection of fit, \$1.90 a pair.

8-button Mousquetaire Suedes, tans and modes, \$2 a pair; beautiful black, a popular glove, twelve button, in black, white and tans, for \$2.50; and 20-button at \$3.50 a pair.

As to slippers, Barr's offer beautiful beaded bronze slippers at \$2.50, and strapped at \$3 a pair.

A HAPPY NEW YEAR To all the World.

May you live long, be happy, and buy your dry goods of the

W. M. BARR DRY GOODS CO., Sixth, Olive and Locust, ST. LOUIS, MO.

BARGAIN COLUMN.

Hose! On Monday odds and ends, in silk and lisle thread, hose, plain and fancy, 75 cents a pair.

Silk hose, solid boot style, best embroidered, black and every tint and pattern made, spun silk, opera silk. Special silk hose day on Monday, prices 50 cents, \$2.75, \$3.45 to \$11 a pair.

Sash! 9-inch satin-edged, faille, white, black and colors, 98 cents a yard. 7-inch moire, 63 cents. Complete line white and cream ribbons, half inch to 4 inches, 75 cents to 50 cents.

Ladies' fine hand-turned donkey/cola button boots, worth \$5, for \$3.50 a pair.

New Year's gifts enough to make all the world happy. Will sell our elegant chenille embroidered slippers for men, opera and full cut, at \$1 a pair; were \$1.50.

SILK MUFFLERS.

A full assortment of men's light and dark silk mufflers at \$1.50 each. Japanese silk mufflers, \$2.75 to \$4.50.

Beautiful Chinese silk embroidered mantle drapes at \$8.

Screens, 3 panels, mounted in China silk, \$8.50 to \$30.

Make the house beautiful for New Year's Day. Fancy gift reception chairs

\$6. Plush rockers, beautiful, \$7. Enamelled chairs, very artistic, \$9.00.

Elegant silk chair head rests for 80 cents a pair.

French art lace curtains, \$4 a pair; fringed portiere curtains, latest styles, \$3.25 a pair.

Before decorating your home for New Year's Day visit Barr's beautiful upholstery department. Cushions, divans, silk draperies, chair seats, etc., in great variety.

How the Lords of Creation Call.

To begin with, if in full dress he'll need a satin striped pique shirt for \$1.50 or one of the stylish embroidered French shirt fronts at \$2.

Studs of stentire, 50 cents a set. French lawn bow ties, 25 cents.

Pearl colored kid gloves, \$1.35 a pair.

And to complete the toilet, black silk hose, \$1.75.

The latest patterns in embroidered four-in-hand ties, 50 cents each.

Silk suspenders \$2 a pair.

Linon handkerchiefs! Either of the following is correct style: One-inch hemstitched all linen, with colored or white embroidered border, 35 cents; or 2-inch hemstitched colored border with plaid center, 40 cents each.

Men's silk handkerchiefs, full size,

Japanese silk, 50 cents each. All the new patterns, with fancy borders, 85 cents each.

Handsome embroidered, at \$1.35, or if you want style combined with durability, take the woven borders at 70 cents each.

Items of Interest to the Ladies.

Shall I wear my hair high or low? is the great question of the day. And the only answer is, "Whichever suits you best."

A good general rule is, if tall dress the hair low; if short, wear it high on the head.

Girls are wearing two catogan braids, with half dozen or more fancy pins thrust through or tied with a ribbon.

You may wear a rose in the hair.

A pretty idea is to braid the hair loosely, then comb it out and brush back in waves, an old fashion revived.

Fans! Black gauze fans are always in taste and we are selling a very handsome one at \$1.25 and the elegant Langtry feather fans at \$3.47.

Girls, you can't have too many bangle bracelets. We have the latest trend and other styles in sterling silver at 97 cents.

Ruchings without end. The dainty crepe lisses 30 to 75 cents a yard. Ribbon and lace directoire ruchings at a dollar. Pompadour ruches in black, white, cream and colors at 60 cents; short lengths, very cheap.

THE NEW YEARS OF OLD.

SOME OLD LADIES TELL OF THE DAY AS IT WAS LONG AGO.

Mrs. Kennedy, Mrs. Pratt and Mrs. Priest. That about the New Year Customs When They Were Girls—How the Day Was Observed—The Three Fiddlers—Some Joyous Times.

(Written for the ST. LOUIS POST-DISPATCH.)

There is no hope of reviving the custom of receiving New Year's calls," said a SUNDAY POST-DISPATCH representative to one of the prominent society women, an author, on all social questions.

"Not the faintest," was the reply.

"The dear old custom is practically dead now and I doubt much if it will ever be resurrected. It's a sad pity, too, for it was a most happy and interesting thing."

Old friends, forgetting petty quarrels and establishing new friendships. I don't think in any other city there was ever so much splendor in the celebrating of the day.

The most superb costumes of the season were ordered for New Year's Day, the houses finely decorated, and as for the table, every house was positively dazzling. Especially when daylight has banished for the fashion of the day, the brilliantly illuminated rooms, the blaze of jewels, the glow of the flowers, the rainbow of satins and velvets of the women made a grand scene on scene not soon to be forgotten.

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The need of sipping wine at each place was not a little more easily corrected. A great cause of displeasure was that it brought people inferior to social standing into contact with those of the more exalted station. The contact, that is a nod, and a word was so very slight as to be dangerous to the social position, and besides the two could have had a corrective by issuing cards, as some ladies did to those whom they wished to receive. Oh! the abuses could have been made all right, and in so sorry, ever so sorry, the custom of the day in the fashionable world, and the discipline of conservative aristocracy might have been maintained.

This lady was not the only one who regretted the decline of the once popular habit. It is a sad thing to see the custom of the day, and one of the more daring girls have declared that they will receive all who come to see them, and the custom of the day in the fashionable world, and the discipline of conservative aristocracy might have been maintained.

CLOSED DOORS. But the comment on the coming of this fashion suggested to the SUNDAY POST-DISPATCH representative to gather a bit of information regarding the long ago method of celebrating New Year's Day.

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to buy a diamond worth about \$100.

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 some responsible party to adopt a boy

Office and household furniture, in large quantities, for spot cash. W. Gott, 1013 Olive.

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Borrow \$800 on a farm valued at three years' best city real estate. Address—
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Wrist watch with chain December 21st to 1105 N. Channing av.
90

Cloth cape trimmed with astrachan. 90
No. Cheonan av., and receive reward.
Black hat and tan black coat (British); ours true to name of Chipoy. Reward if returned as follows:
90

"hat, either on Lafayette or Milwaukee st., Lafayette Park Police Bureau."
90

Sunday, December 21, a pair of pearls set in red plush bag. Liberal reward questions asked if returned to 924 E. 2d.
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Watch, on east side of 6th st., between 4th and 5th, and Olive st., Washington st., ladies' gold watch. Call on or write with J. M. Hayes Woolen Co., ladies' att., and receive reward.
90

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ve business men to represent a businessless members from loss of their customers or accounts. Address F. 23,
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In answering advertisements under the heading of the Post-Dispatch:

Room; good paying business. Address office.
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fine grand square piano; will be sold at Utah st.
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4

Rent, Cheap—A country hotel, adjacent to fine bar, billiard and pool room. Good chance for some live man to address J 21, this office.
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Wanted.

answering advertisements in this
 mention the Post-Dispatch.

trees to winter. E. H. Benoit, 7
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For Sale.

 100 new and second-hand bugies,
 a. surreys, phaetons, car, open and
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 new and second-hand storm wagons,
 one light four-passenger rockaway
 road wagon. Chas. E. Graves, 3417 12
 St. 13
 light six-passenger rockaway, in good
 shape. Have no further use, and will
 be seen at 3417 Locust st. J.
 12

DANCING.

 ADAMS' Mardi Gras ball at Armory
 av. February 18. 76

MUSICAL.

ably taught by note or ear; terms
M. Stewart, 2236 Cass av. 27
piano, but little used, for sale at a
week \$20 Chouteau av. 27
very cheap, new and second-hand
Eliaser, 1108 Chouteau av. 27
young lady wants to give music and
one Address K 22, this office. 27
piano, Harrison, piano on small
lot or cash at really low price,
J. 1111 Olive st. 27
I should see the new price Kimball
the strongest piano in the city
you have at least looked at these,
J. 1111 Olive st. 27
A GOOD PIANO, ON SMALL TIME PA-
COACH. J. A. Kieselhorst, 1111 Olive
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LE-MISCELLANEOUS.
In answering advertisements under
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water spaniel, \$10. Inquire at 2215
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guinea pig puppies, cheap. 1309

set sheet iron workers' rolls. At

13 baby buggy, nearly new, cost \$20.
 13 Chs-trust 3
 14 thoroughbred English pup pup; very
 15 615 N. 16th st. 3
 16 second-hand \$40 Singer sewing mach-
 17 ne; \$20 cash. Ad. N 22, this office. 3
 18 car, prune-colored silk dress; bust
 19 bargain if sold at once; never worn.
 20 this office. 3
 21 parties leaving city. Superior
 22 glass, gasoline stove, ice box, gas
 23 st. Ange vs. 3
 24 ticket for solid gold hunting
 25 under and setter. Eight months
 26 Address N 22, this office. 3
 27 a bargain especially furnished flat of
 28 Washington st. and 12th for pri-
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 30 new fixtures of all kinds, including
 31 glass doors, shelving in lengths
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English pug puppies; finest prize ring
in America; beautiful; almost first im-
ported Lord Clive's blood; 1000
and several champion-bred bitches
America's crack pug champion "Kash,"
in in the world. For particulars and prices
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Fire-backs, guaranteed to be
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furniture in residence on northeast
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and on time payments. Sale
will be sold in 2 boxes, 3
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For 20-amp light American dynamo
10 p. lamps; one 10-amp light For-
tissimo dynamo with 16 lamps; one 10-lb
dynamo with 10 25-w. p. lamps; one
dynamo with 3 2,000-c. p. lamps;
one 25, one 50 and one 100-light
dynamo at a small price. Electric
421 Commercial Building, 6th and
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WOULD never have gone to the
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A SURE CURE.

By Frost & Raf, Seventh and Olive
Drug Co., Wholesale Agents.

competent music teacher wants to

ing room; will take blouse cleaning and ironing for pay. Call at 2014 morning. 54

18-12-room building for rental for eat. grocery in the West End for 300 to 4100. Address L 24, the 54

SHOP-WORN BICYCLES.

James Murphy worked the sister to Clay
Jackson and the gray colt by Longfellow out
at Gray Helen, a quarter in 24ths, while

champion's excellent behavior and the sentiment in Mississippi against enforcing the sentence, it is probable that only a fine will be exacted. Sullivan concluded arrangements

the first of the series has in no way discouraged the former, but quite the reverse. It has put the athletes on their mettle, and

were awarded, but H. C. Brown of Anderson made the highest record, and was elected the delegate to the United States Chess Associa-

the storm-bound passengers which reached there on the 23d. The railroad people hope to open communication with Los Angeles by to-morrow.

ery, very rarely the case. In fact, the more you know, the more you realize the significance of this most wise advice is that if you want anything well done, you must be able to do it yourself. If you

ST. LOUIS, SUNDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 29, 1899.

MRS. PARTINGTON'S RETURN.

Her Perplexities, Predicaments and Predilections Before and After Her Return.

BY B. P. SHILLABER.

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CHAPTER I.

HE sudden disappearance of Mrs. Partington from public view for a number of years excited considerable interest, first and last, and great curiosity was expressed as to where she had hidden herself—some, indeed, a person having set on foot a story that she had eloped—but only a very few was the secret of her whereabouts imparted; which secret, the possessor was pledged, by herself, to keep "invaluable." It was thus kept, but I was hard to resist the frequent demand for information regarding her from all sorts of people. I, too, was missing, which involved the matter in deeper mystery. The fact was that Mrs. Partington had been threatened with "operation of mind," to use her own phrase (meaning aberration), caused by the failure of the Nip & Tuck Railroad, in which her two shares came to grief.

"It is a coincidence in my life," she said, "that cannot be digested, because I am not as rich as Croesus, and though all I ever got from it were notices of assessments, it was a paying concern, for I always had to pay 'em, and to lose my stock in this way is a case of the most frantic consternation."

She ran down here like a melancholy old wooden clock and kept running down until two reefs had to be taken in the back of her black bombazine gown, and nervous prostration was so imminent that Dr. Clavicle, her

after pushing his father down through the barn door into a potato bin, and, contrary to all predictions, had prospered and been forgiven as all prosperous people should be. He had not come to see Mrs. Partington, on this occasion, but the one with whom she was stopping, relatively near, and he was surprised and pleased to see her there. "Hello, auntie," said he, shaking her hand as if it were a marionette; "didn't expect to see you here. How are you?" "I don't know, dear," she replied; "what

with the spine in my back and the neurology in my head, this trouble and that, and the aches and pains contemporary, I am not very well myself. The doctor said I must go away to recover my equilibrium, and he said alone knows what the end will be."

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CONSTRUCTING A DRAMA.

BRONSON HOWARD TELLS HOW IT SHOULD BE DONE.

He Advises English and American Playwrights to Study the French School—The Effect of Modern Stage Realism—Holding Up the Mirror—Where the Tendency of Stage Realism Should Lead.

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ALTHOUGH I am a comedy

writer, my first work

was a dramatization

of the saddest

of books—Victor

Hugo's *Les Misérables*. It was

played by a local

stock company in

1884 at my native

place, Detroit, Mich.

And here let me

say that I have

been asked to write

on the subject of

dramatic construction, that the young play-

wright can study no better model

than Victor Hugo. Why? Because

few men of modern times pos-

sessed a mind so imbued with the

instinct. Indeed, the dramatists of

England and America find no more profit-

able study than the wonderful promoter of

dramatic construction in France during the

last half century. Before that time the French

stage was given up almost entirely to the

fantastic and the grotesque. It was not until

hearse their names, for they are found in col-

lege text books, but they were not the names

by which to conjure popular sympathy or

reach the public heart. Victor Hugo, by the

production of *"Hernani,"* made the dramatic

revolution against the rigid classicism suc-

cessful. The critics were at first puzzled, and

the public amazed by his audacity, but, never-

theless, the classic and heroic drama was

overthrown and the drama of romanticism

took its place. The success of *"Hernani,"*

was the victory of the living drama over those

who cling to the traditions of

A DEAD DRAMA.

At a dinner given at the Stanley Club at

Paris, in 1884, I had been specially invited

as an American dramatist, and, by my mem-

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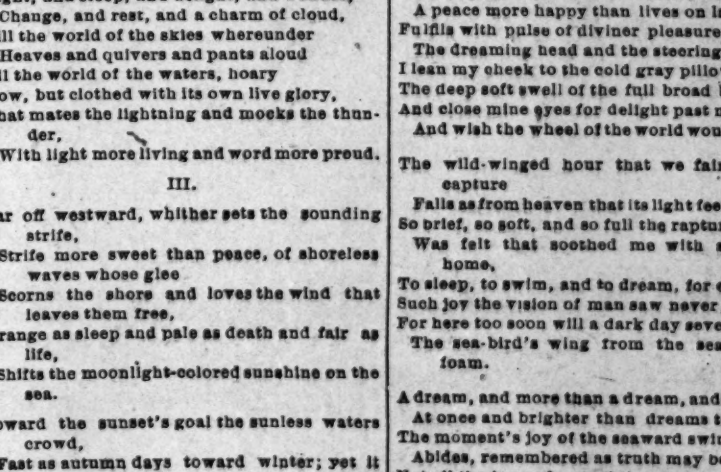
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Another Set of Menus in the Next "Sunday Post-Digest."



Wheatena	Fruit	Coddled Apples	Wafers	Fruit
Boiled Ham	Sugar and Cream	Tea		Oatmeal Sugar and Cream
	Shirred Eggs			Broiled Sheep Kidney

**HOLIDAY WEEK AT THE VARIOUS PLACES
OF AMUSEMENT AND ITS EFFECT.**

Mrs. Catherine Linyard and Miss
 ville of the "My Aunt Bridget" con-
 vention, which was held at the
 were out on the road on Friday, ac-
 by Mr. Bass Henderson of the Lin-
 nington, and the other of the Lin-
 cavalrymen. Miss Merville rides
 and Miss Linyard is said to be the
 trienne in the procession.

Notes.

Red Star has retired from the
 West.

The Mrs. George Knight company
 There are arrears of several weeks
 Mr. Lawrence Barrett is rapidly
 in health and will undoubtedly ac-
 some.

Adah Richmond has brought a
 Manager W. J. Gilmore, of the Tw-
 and

Barlione Aloisio E. Stoddard, of Juch company, died of heart failure at the Catholic Hospital, in Boston, 19th inst.

A Syracuse paper says that Doctor Stoddard was a very handsome English girl who can manage a car better than most men.

Mr. Stoddard is a tall, slender, concert tour in America, but he was and expenses, and he wants the \$100,000 advance for his tour.

From Pittsburgh, where it played the Emma Juch Opera Co. jumped in the city. The total of the trip amounted to \$7,000.

Mrs. Charles Lothian, who was a very handsome girl, was the reason that she was "too tall," said against Miss Calhoun.

"Emmy King, in preparing for her recently dashes on a bit of powder and a little hair oil."

Adelphi.

The case of Augustus Delaney, a young man, was referred. The young man of "The After Dark" company in California, the railroad.

"Under the Gaslight."

It is quite probable that there will be a very large number of people in Europe. De Wolf Hopper leaves the girls goes to the Aronsens, and Marjorie.

William Young, the author of

was anxious that the production of the play should be in the hands of a man who would be able to make the most effective substitution for Mr. Barrett. This, of course, would have been a very unwise policy.

Miss Bertha Hecker, a young New York actress, has completed and sent her superb pastel portrait of Mme. Ysidore, which is at the head of the vocal department. It is a masterpiece, and the likeness is said to be strikingly and wonderfully artistic.

Corinne celebrated her sixteenth birthday on the 21st of December at the Hotel Christmas Eve, which was presided over by the Mayor of the city. The party was given by her father, and will begin a week's engagement at the Olympic Theater Sunday evening, presenting her latest and greatest success, "The Girl of the Year," which was by the original New York company people.

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From Notes and Queries.

The earliest notice of steel pens then met with is by Wordsworth. In 1806 his family were occupying the house then During the absence of Sir George Lady Beaumont, and in the month of the poet wrote to the latter what "the longest letter I ever wrote in my life" and in it he says "I have eight pens." He begins: "My Dear Lady, I have been a penmanship for you! I am able to keep it up to the end in the notwithstanding I have the advantage of writing with one of your steel pens which Miss Hutchinson has just made."

At the next mention that I have now Dr. Kitchiner in 1834; when speaking

friend above of he says: "This steel pen is a recommendation for its use. It is a nifty pen, and particularly for the business man, so that he has a sufficient number of pens to prevent the necessity of men of them until he has finished writing."

To this there is appended a note: "who did the mending of pens rather than I recommend the occasional use of the pen. It is a very good pen, and is small and neatly." The steel pen has been still a rarity at that time. Our schoolboy experience tends to say that the use of the steel pen was commoner the use of steel pens in school the earlier years, 1855 to 1860, I have recollection of our using such.

Paris Exposition has made the use of and proved Guerin's photos the best.

From the gentlemen's Magazine.

So great is the growth of population in the district round Kedgeley and Hawkeley, (where the railway now extends) that the loneliness of Hawkeley is almost entirely lost. The most striking description by Charlotte Brontë and her nephew, can now scarcely be realised with its truth. The scene is described, this lady got into conversation with the older generations of the women, who, though at first (with true modesty) refused to discuss the subject, eventually spoke freely and in the factitious way of Miss Brontë, mentioning that she had married the son of a farmer and reserve of which the author was so painfully conscious.

"She never raised her eyes from him when in church," said the good woman. "And she never raised her eyes from him when he was in the vision! The way that he will proportion his hair, his dress exquisitely neat, but plain; his face without pretension to beauty, but with the light of genius shining and clear through the expressive eyes in the old church—plain and unpretentious! Herein is there for so many years prayer and praise went up to heaven when the never lost her trust, we must take our leave of Charlotte Bronson."

MRS. WISLOW'S Soothing Syrup for Croup, Whooping Cough, Sore Throat, and all the child and comfort the mother.

the obituary column. But I never
announcement of the death of any of
ring ones, whose names were on the
ant in my pigeon-hole.

ST-CLASS pictures make the test.
Kiss's photos are the best.

THREE DEAD HEADS.

FATCH do not believe what I say about it, let them go and try the experiments for themselves.